# SHALL THE IGORROTE DON THE CLOTHING WORN IN CIVILIZED COUNTRIES?

Representative Men and Women Express for The Republic Varying Opinions on the War Department's Order to Make the Island People at the World's Fair Cover Their Nakedness-Chief Antonio Considers the Requirement of Civilian Garb a Violation of Promises Made to His Brothers.



one week ago. They must Since then hundreds of letters have been pour-ing in upon Secretary of War Taft, expressing disapproval of the order; many etting to it on the ground that the exhibit as it now stands would be turned into a burlesque by the adoption of Ameri-

Then Secretary of War Taft, deluged with the hundreds of objections raised on the subject asked for an expression of opinion from the representative men and women of the country, among whom were President D R. Francis of the Exposition Company, the World's Fair officials, the Board of Lacy Managers, the National Commission and other representatives of

read or heard of the order, went post haste to the Igorrote Village to Inspect, to criticise, to learn the real cause for such

Where hundreds of World's Fair visitors who previously went to the Igorrote Vil-

orrotes represented the rank and file of inhabitants of the Philippines.

Nearly everyone had heard of the Igorrotes; few had heard of the other tribes. The Igorrotes first came into prominence for their unquenchable appetite for every stray dogs that visited the village.

As dog-caters they proved the star attraction of the World's Fair.

As purely Igorrotes they were the second in conspicuous prominence.

Visitors who were spending only a few days at the Fair were sure to plan their programme with a view of seeing the Igorrotes.

SOME VISITORS PITY THE LITTLE SAVAGES.

Some visitors pitled the little savages and tried to make them understand their questions as to whether they were really as happy as was said. Others, the in-credulous, poked them in the sides with their parasols or causes to see if they were

official life.

The end of the discussion is not yet in sight, and it is likely to precipitate one of the lengthlest and livellest controversies in connection with authority and government in the new territorial acquisitions that has yet come up for settlement by the United States Government.

Since the issuance of the order, the former happy little savages of North Luzon have had a trying time of it.

INCREASED ATTENDANCE

AT IGORROTE VILLAGE.

Brerybody in St. Louis and everybody who came to St. Louis last week, who had read or heard of the order, went post

This and many more similar expressions, heard by the Government officials, was in part responsible for deciding on the new course of action.

The happy little savages, who had not the hundred and one cares of keeping their boots blackened, their buttons sewed on, their garments properly hundered and repaired, have been forced to accept this part of our civilized life, if the opinion of the War Department prevails.

We have, and to ask them to comply with we have, and to ask them to comply with course.

Such a course, if adopted, would destroy their self-respect. To clothe the Igorrotes would be to burlesque them. Anything that smacks of the burlesque is liable to work a moral injury."

Miss Florence Hayward, Department of History. World's Fair: 'I can see no real reason why objection should be made to this exhibit which portrays the life and customs of the little island people. If the

dress, but that he would compel them to Antonio, Chief of the tribe of headhunters, was called up to give his opinion

on the question. thought faith had been broken with them as they were promised to be permitted to live in the United States the same as at home. They do not yet fully comprehend the meaning of the new order, and it remains for its enforcement to determine the

mains for its enforcement to determine the result.

Meantime bundreds of letters are flooding the War Department, and opinions on the subject are being received from the four quarters of the globe from men and women high in public, official and social life and industrial and reform work.

These are a few of the opinions of St. Louis men and women on the subject:

COMPARED TO GOWNING

OF VENUS DE MILO.

Doctor WJ McGee, Chief of the Anthropology Department, Louisiana Purchase Exposition: "The person making criticism

of the Igorrotes exhibited a certain form of insanity. The same sort has suggested putting gowns on Venus de Mile. I see no difference between the request made of us and a similar request made of us should we visit their country. Such a change in either case, would be ruinous to the character and morals. The Igorrotes have sentiment and feelings the same as we have, and to ask them to comply with

who previously went to the Igorrote Village to view the exhibit from an educational standpoint, this number was increased to thousands who visited the village last week out of pure curiosity.

The popularity of the Igorrote went up ton points last week

The War Department, in giving the reaconforce to the change, deplored the fact that the tribe of Igorrotes were receiving un-

IGORROTE WOMAN AND CHILD IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT THE AUTHORITIES AT WASHING TON MAY REQUIRE LONGER SKIRTS TO HIDE

knowing how to wear our clothing, they probably would wear taundered cuffs on their ankles and collars on their wrists, which would make them nothing short of

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ridiculous."

Former Senator Thomas H. Carter.

President National Commission: "I think
to put clothing on the Egorrotes would
destroy the sense of the exhibit. I bee
nothing at all objectionable in the exhibit
as it stands."

MRS. ERNEST RELIVES IT WOULD SPOIL EXHIBIT

Mrs. Finis P. Ernest of Denver, member f the Board of Lady Managers: "I consider the Philippine exhibit one of the most interesting at the Fair. In my opinion the exhibit would be spoiled if the igorroles are to be clothed. The object in bringing them here was to show them in their native condition. If there be nny-thing in this to offend, I would say let the becomes the Igorrotes be returned to the islands if the object for which they were brought over is not to be carried out."

Mrs. C. C. Rainwater of St. Louis Daughter of the Confederacy: "As I understand it, the purpose of assembling the various tribes of people from different parts of the world is to give the Excosi-tion visitor an idea of how they appear, their habits, their dress, their mode of living, and in general to show whatever peculiarities they may have which are unicommon to civilized people.

Miss Lavinia H. Egan, secretary Board of Lady Managers: "In reference to the matter of putting clothes on the Igorrotes, my opinion is that such a step on the part of the authorities would most materially their present state, in by opinion, it detract from the nature and character of the Philippine exhibit. My interpretation of the exhibit has been that it showed in miniature the Philippine problem, so to speak; that is exemplified in detail what we as a nation have to deal with in our

"Now if we are going to civilize them immediately and compel them to adopt our manners of living, where will the comparison come in and how can we study them? I am in favor of not interfering with them at all. Or eise, why did we bring them to this country? Those who have included to be shocked at the sight had better remain away, but to the pure in heart there is no vulgarity in this particular exhibit."

MISS ECAN WOULD LEAVE
THEM WITHOUT CLOTHING is, the exhibition must lose something of its interest and cannot lose something of its interest and cannot lose something of the strong of the considered characteristic or true to life. For this reason, I should reprehend the clothing of the Isorrotes, who, in their brown-skinned nakedness, show themselves to be the childen of nature whom the civilizing influences of our Government must convert into good American citizens.

Mrs. Annie McLean Moores, Member of the Board of Lady Managers: "I consider the entire Philippine exhibit a fine one."

Ministers in general were somewhat reticent in expressing their views concerning the advisability of clothing the Igorrotes, but all were agreed that it should be done for decency sake.

REGARDS NAKEDNESS AS GOOD DRAWING CARD.

The Reverend Doctor William Short of St. Peter's Episcopal Church: "The nakedness of the tribe no doubt is a good drawing card and will tend to attract these persons who have unrefined tendencies. It is would be better to send them back to their country and let us do without them, one thing to have them in a state of nature? There is no argument in my opinion which can institly this outrage against common decountry and let us do without them, one thing to have them in a state of nature? There is no argument in my opinion which can institly this outrage against common decountry and let us do without them, one thing to have them in a state of nature? There is no argument in my opinion which can institly this outrage against common decountry and let us do without them, one thing to have them in a state of nature? There is no argument in my opinion which can institly this outrage against common decountry and let us do without them. The provide them in this hot was the min their present state.

"First of all, I think they all ought to be clothed with the righteousness of Jesus Christ, and then by all means let us give them clothed with the righteousness of Jesus Christ, and then by all means let us give them clothed with the righteousness of Jesus Christ

alike and clothing is practically unknown, and another proposition to bring them to the United States, or, in fact, to any civilized country to expose themselves. It is true that the ancients catered more or less to the nude in art, but society was not as fully developed as now and the condition of nudity had no influence over them.

condition of nudity had no influence over them.

"Modern society demands that man and woman be clothed. If it is necessary for educational purposes to exhibit them in The Reverend Doctor William M. Me-Murry, pastor of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church: "So far I have had no desire to see the tribe, and consequently cannot speak from what I have seen per-sonally.

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"But," he said, "from what I have read
and from what others have told me, I
am of the opinion that they ought to be
clothed. To say the least, it has a demoralizing effect upon the people who
visit the Philippine exhibit at the Fair,
and more than that I think that it is
more or less of an injustice to the other
people from the islands, and who are
civilized, since visitors might be inclined
to consider them as being all of one
tribe.

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## Society News in Neighboring Cities and Towns.

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Kirkand of this city. After the wedding the
couple departed for St. Louis Reveria, Hi, Kakake, II, and other Northern points. The
out-of-town guests were Mr. Sam Miles KaLouisville, Mrs. Will Richardson and Miss Rate Robbins of Chicago and Mrs. Ann Clement
of Kankakes, III.

T. N. Givens and son, Thomas, went to s and Providence Monday. Dick Tolhert is visiting in Maydeld, Ky. Ella Lightfoot and Mrs. Evelyn Light-Carbondale. Ill., are visiting Judge and lightfoot. Francis Blum of Nashville is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Halbertin of Oscar, Tex., sav visiting their uncle. Harry George.

Miss Mary Hang departed for a visit to relatives in Elast St. Louis and to attend the World's Fair.

Mrs. S. H. Sasseen of Portagerille, Mo., is risking her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Phelps.

Mrs. Dora Lvon and Miss Pora de Graffeniet of Eddyrille are guests of the Reverend

L. Perryman's family.

Mrs. Harry Hinkle have returned from St. Louis.

Joseph Latz, and children, of Mound City, Ill., returned home Monday, after visiting Captain and Mrs. C. B. Randall and child of Hot Springs, Mrs. C. B. Randall and child of Hot Springs, Ark., have returned home after visiting reta-Hyes.

Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Reed of St. Louis, Mo., are here on a visit.

Mrs. E. B. Davidson has gone to Louisville, Mrs. E. B. Davidson H. Scott and Mrs. Louise Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Scott and Mrs. Louise Margard of Minneapolls, Minn., are the guests Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Scott and Mrs. Louise Mercord of Minneapoils. Minn., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scott.

Mrs. L. P. Rasar, who has been visiting in Fort Worth, Tex., returned home Monday.

Miss Mary Duiguid of Murray is the guest of Mrs. Robert Sory.

Miss Nell Gray Hooper and Mrs. N. C. Carlton of Springfield, Tenn., returned home Tuesday after visiting relatives.

ST. CHARLES, MO. Mr. and Mrs. Alex McClean, accompanied by Miss Williams of Santa Barbara, Cal., spent ast Sunday visiting Doctor and Mrs. G. J. Mrs. W. B. Halbertin of Oscar, Tex., is their uncle. Harry George.

The Reverend and Mrs. Thomas Gallaher of Texas are visiting Mrs. Louis and to attend the life.

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Mrs. J. C. Thornton and her daughter, Miss Frances, who visited Mrs. C. P. Hough, returned the early visited Mrs. W. J. Leeper of Denison, Tex.

After a visit with Mrs. Cliff McMillan in St. Louis, Miss Alma Gass returned home yesterday,
A charming little dinner was given by Mrs.
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MOBERLY.

A pretty home wedding took place at 2 c'clock last Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fontche on Bedford street, when their daughter, Miss Anna, and Ollie Cambum were married, Miss Rachel Lindley placed married, Miss Rachel Lindley placed married, Miss Rachel Lindley placed married, with a control of the bridge party. W. lines.

### Dies From Injuries.

Stephen Anie, 31 years old, was thrown Stephen Anie, 31 years old, was thrown from an Easton avenue car yesterday morning at the intersection of Fourteenth and Morgan streets. He was taken to the City Hospital, where his injuries were dressed. Later in the day he became unconscious and was removed to the City Hospital, where he ded. He was employed as a laborer and lived at No. 1417 Gay street.